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Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment

The amendment filed on August 27, 2003 is considered non-compliant because it failed to meet the requirements of 37 CFR § 1.121, as amended on June 30, 2003 (see 68 *Fed. Reg.* 38611, Jun. 30, 2003). In order for the amendment to be compliant, correction of the following item(s) is required. **Only the corrected section of the non-compliant amendment must be resubmitted (in its entirety), e.g., the entire "Amendments to the claims" section of applicant's amendment must be re-submitted.** 37 CFR § 1.121(h).

The amendment is non-compliant because:

- (a) Each claim has not been provided with the proper status identifier, and as such, the individual status of each claim cannot be identified; and
- (b) The complete listing of all the claims must include indication of how the presently amended claims are changed.

For further explanation of the amendment format required by 37 CFR § 1.121, see MPEP § 714 and the USPTO website at

<http://www.uspto.gov/web/offices/pac/dapp/opla/preognotice/officeflyer.pdf>.

As the non-compliant amendment is reply to a NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION, and since the amendment appears to be a bona fide attempt to be a reply (37 CFR § 1.135(c)), applicant is given a TIME PERIOD of **ONE (1) MONTH** from the mailing date of this notice within which to re-submit the corrected section which complies with 37 CFR § 1.121 in order to avoid abandonment. **EXTENSIONS OF THIS TIME PERIOD MAY BE GRANTED UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a).**

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Stephen L. Rawlings, Ph.D. whose telephone number is

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(703) 305-3008. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday-Thursday, alternate Fridays, 8:00AM-5:30PM.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Anthony C. Caputa, Ph.D. can be reached on (703) 308-3995. The fax phone numbers for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned are (703) 308-4242 for regular communications and (703) 308-4242 for After Final communications.

Any inquiry of a general nature or relating to the status of this application or proceeding should be directed to the receptionist whose telephone number is (703) 308-0196.

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